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Title: A METHOD OF SYNCHRONIZING THE REPLAY OF AUDIO DATA IN A  
NETWORK OF COMPUTERS

### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Kindly amend the above-entitled application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 3 and 4 as follows:

- - 3. A method as claimed in [any preceding] claim 1 in which the distribution is a normal distribution.
- 4. A method as claimed in [any preceding] claim 1 in which the delay time is sufficiently long for several data packets to have arrived at the destination station before the value of the delay and/or average travel time and/or minimum travel time is computed. - -

Please add the following new claims 5 and 6.

- - 5. A method as claimed in claim 2 in which the distribution is a normal distribution.